Setting up of National Commission to formulate health related issues

508. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:
SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:
SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the recommendations of the WHO sponsored Global Panel that health preceded economic development and consequently setting up a National Commission to formulate a strategy to address health-related issues; and

(b) whether this Panel would be able to give comprehensive recommendations within its terms of reference and within stipulated period of one year and whether a quarterly review of the working would be introduced to get desired result in one year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) Necessary formalities to set up the proposed National Commission are being finalised.

Terms of members of Central Council of Homoeopathy

509. SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN:
SHRI SK. KHABIR UDDIN AHMED:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of Members of the Central Council of Homoeopathy are continuing in office even after expiry of their term as per the HCC Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps Government propose to take to conduct elections/ nominations in place of such Members; and

(d) the details of the time schedule of the above election/nominations procedure be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) The term of a member of Central Council of Homoeopathy is five years or till the successor is elected/nominated, whichever, is longer. The members are continuing as per provision of Section 7(1) of HCC Act, 1973.

(c) and (d) Election process has already been initiated to reconstitute the Council. The nominations will be made as per provision of Section 3(1)(c) of HCC Act, 1973 after completing the election from majority of the States.

Disposal of bio-waste by hospitals

†510. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of hospitals in Delhi which do not have arrangements for disposal of bio-waste;

(b) the steps taken by Government for disposal of bio-waste in these hospitals;

(c) by when arrangement for disposal of bio-waste is likely to be made in these hospitals;

(d) the names of major hospitals in the country which do not have arrangements for disposal of bio-waste, till date; and

(e) the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (e) Health being a State subject under the Constitution of India, these matters fall within the purview of the respective State Governments. The respective State Pollution Control Board/Pollution Control Committees are the prescribed authorities for implementation of the provisions of the Bio-Medical Waste (Management & Handling) Rules, 1998 and therefore the list of hospitals which do not have arrangements for disposal of Bio-waste is not available. In so far as Central Government Hospitals are concerned, these hospitals are taking necessary steps to meet the requirement of these Rules.

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